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SUBJECT: MALAWI: DEMARCHE DELIVERED ON UNGA ANTI-ISRAELI  
RESOLUTIONS

REF: STATE 118799

Classified By: Kevin K. Sullivan, Deputy Chief of Mission, for Reasons  
1.4(b) and (d).

[11](#). (U) Post delivered reftel demarche on November 19 to GOM  
Ministry of Foreign Affairs Director of Political Affairs  
Paul Chiunguzeni.

[12](#). (C) Chiunguzeni agreed that many of the UNGA resolutions  
on the Middle East which were offered and debated were  
redundant, saying, "The General Assembly certainly dwells on  
these resolutions and wastes a lot of time." However when  
pressed, Chiunguzeni acknowledged that Malawi would continue  
to make decisions regarding individual resolutions after  
consulting with its AU neighbors.

[13](#). (C) On resolutions reaffirming the continued existence of  
the three specific UN bodies inherently biased against  
Israel, Chiunguzeni admitted that Malawi largely shared the  
USG's view on the matter, and that, "...it is something that  
we will continue to look into." He did not/not commit to a  
concrete position opposing these resolutions.

[14](#). (C) COMMENT: Chiunguzeni's response to this demarche  
reaffirms Malawi's continued desire to align with its  
neighbors on UNGA issues. Post will continue to encourage  
the GOM to approach UNGA issues more independently.  
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